

ADVISORY

(RESPONSIBLE PARTY POLICY)

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Sulfur in Diesel Fuel Responsible Party Policy

The purpose of the advisory is to alert jobbers, middlemen and retailers marketing diesel fuel in the South Coast Air Basin and Ventura County to their responsibility concerning the sale of such fuel.

Legal Requirements

Section 2252 (d) of Title 13 of the California Administrative Code states, that as of January 1, 1985, no person shall sell, produce for sale, offer for sale, or deliver for sale in the South Coast Air Basin or Ventura County any diesel fuel for use in motor vehicles which has a sulfur content greater than 500 parts per million (0.05 percent) by weight. The Executive Officer may grant a limited exemption to small refiners pursuant to Subdivision (h).

Enforcement Policy

This regulation prohibits jobbers, middlemen and retailers from selling diesel fuel for motor vehicle use within the control area, unless such fuel meets the allowable sulfur limit or is exempted. The ARB Compliance Division will take enforcement action against the party responsible for any violation. If a jobber, middleman, or retailer were to purchase non-exempt high sulfur diesel fuel intended to be sold outside the control area or for non-vehicular use and sell that fuel for vehicular use inside the control area, then the jobber, middleman or retailer would be the responsible party.

Be advised that it is essential that jobbers, middlemen and retailers ascertain the intended use of the diesel fuel they purchase, and sell such fuel only for the intended use.

If you have any questions about this enforcement policy or need additional information, please call Mr. Roye Jackson at (916) 323-3033.

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